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STATE SUMMARY OF OPERATIONS UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION

	NOVEMBER 1940	OCTOBER 1940	PER CENT CHANGE (NOV. OVER OCT.)	PER CENT CHANGE (NOV. 1940 OVER NOVEMBER 1939)
BENEFIT PAYMENTS:				
NUMBER	40,820	71,544	- 42.94	+ 3.24
AMOUNT	\$389,564.00	\$694,641.00	- 43.92	+ 15.16
CLAIMS RECEIVED:*				
INITIAL	2,840	4,649	- 41.43	- 31.32
COMPENSABLE	34,516	66,245	- 47.90	- 6.02
WAITING PERIOD	4,412	8,201	- 46.18	- 46.99
TOTAL	41,768	79,095	- 47.19	- 15.08
AGENT STATE CLAIMS RECEIVED:				
INITIAL	2,733	2,171	+ 25.89	+ 26.82
CONTINUED	4,162	11,033	+ 28.63	+ 63.46
TOTAL	6,925	13,204	+ 28.18	+ 56.18
LIABLE STATE CLAIMS RECEIVED:				
INITIAL	903	951	- 5.05	+ 10.80
CONTINUED	4,424	4,877	- 9.29	- 16.51
TOTAL	5,327	5,828	- 8.60	- 12.30
INITIAL DETERMINATIONS:				
ELIGIBLE	1,886	3,125	- 39.65	- 45.65
INELIGIBLE	1,795	3,526	- 46.09	- 4.93
TOTAL	3,681	6,651	- 44.66	- 31.30

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE

	NOVEMBER	OCTOBER		
FIELD VISITS	1,135	984	+ 15.35	- 19.90
NEW APPLICATIONS	26,169	18,578	+ 40.86	+ 92.63
RENEWALS	5,087	6,281	- 19.01	NB
ACTIVE FILE	76,481	74,311	+ 2.92	+ 2.52
EMPLOYER ORDERS	3,538	3,068	+ 15.32	NB
PLACEMENTS	17,068	7,982	+113.83	+241.56
CLAIMANT PLACEMENTS	1,044	809	+ 29.04	- 24.68
VETERAN PLACEMENTS	239	206	+ 16.02	+ 82.44
AGRICULTURAL PLACEMENTS**	27	34	- 20.59	NB

* DOES NOT INCLUDE MULTI-STATE CLAIMS

** INCLUDES BOTH SUPPLEMENTARY AND COMPLETE AGRICULTURAL PLACEMENTS

NB NO BREAKDOWN MADE DURING 1939

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STATE OPERATIONS

A comparison - November 1940 to October 1940 and November 1939

November Payments Drop More Than \$300,000

Benefit Payments during November totaled only \$389,564 to show a decrease of \$305,077 from the \$694,641 paid out during October. This constituted a percentage decrease of 43.92 from October but topped the November 1939 total by 15.16%.

Claims Received Drop Nearly 50%

The number of claims (initial and continued) received during November dropped 47.19% from 79,095 in October to 41,768 in November. Each of the three types of claims (initial, compensable and waiting period) showed decreases from October of more than 40%. The November total was a decrease of 15.08% from the November 1939 total for claims of these types.

Agent State Claims Increase 28.18%

The only claims group in which November showed an increase over October was that listed as "Agent State Claims Received". Both initial and continued claims in this group showed increases - initial claims rising 25.89% and continued claims 28.63% over the October totals.

Liable State Claims Decrease Slightly

A slight change was made in the number of Liable State Claims Received: initial claims decreasing 5.05% and continued claims decreasing 9.29%. The November total of liable state claims decreased 12.30% from the total for the same month of 1939.

Initial Determinations Drop Sharply

Consistent with the heavy decrease in the number of initial claims filed during November was the 44.66% drop in the number of initial determinations made during the month. The number of these determinations allowing eligibility lacked 39.65% of equaling the October figure while the number denying eligibility dropped 49.09%. The total number of initial determinations made during the month was 3,681 - 31.30% fewer than during November 1939.

Field Visits Increase 15.35%

With the continuing decrease in the claim load, more time was available for visits to prospective employers by the local office personnel. The number of these visits made during November totaled 1,135 to comprise an increase of 15.35% over the October total. The November total lacked 19.90% of equaling the November 1939 total.

New Applications During Month Top 26,000

Largely due to the widely publicized mass hiring of workers through the Camp Blanding branch office of the Florida State Employment Service, by the contractors for this National Defense project, was the 40.86% rise in the number of new applications made during November. The number of these applications increased from 18,578 in October to 26,169 in November - the November total comprised an increase of 92.63% over the November 1939 total for this activity.

Renewals Continue to Decline

With the increase in employment throughout the State, due to National Defense construction, incoming tourists and the beginning of the citrus season, a decrease in the number of renewals occurred in November. The total for October was 6,281 while the November total was only 5,087.

Active File Rises 2.92%

The number of applications for employment in the active file of the Employment Service at the end of November totaled 76,481 - 2.92% more than the 74,311 at the end of October. The November total exceeded the November 1939 total by 2.52%.

Employer Orders Increased 15.32%

The number of employer orders increased from 3,068 in October to 3,538 in November to show a percentage rise of 15.32.

Placements Reach All-time High of 17,068

With the inclusion of the 11,435 placements made at Camp Blanding during November the State total of placements reached the new all-time high of 17,068. This total represented an increase of 113.83% over the number of placements made during October and a jump of 241.56% over the November 1939 total.

Claimant Placements Rise 29.04%

Probably due to the general increase in the number of placements was the increase in claimant placements which rose from 809 in October to 1,044 in November - an increase of 29.04%. The November total amounted to 24.68% less than that of November 1939.

Veteran Placements Up 16.02%

The number of veterans placed in jobs by the Employment Service during November totaled 239 - an increase of 16.02% over the October total.

Agricultural Placements Drop Slightly

The number of agricultural placements made during November totaled 27.

TABLE OF INITIAL, WAITING PERIOD AND COMPENSABLE CLAIMS
RECEIVED DURING NOVEMBER 1940

LOCAL OFFICE	INITIAL CLAIMS		WAITING PERIOD AND COMPENSABLE CLAIMS		
	NOVEMBER 1940	OCTOBER 1940	NOVEMBER 1940	% CHANGE NOV. 1940 OVER OCT. 1940	% CHANGE NOV. 1940 OVER NOV. 1939
STATE TOTAL	3,743	5,800	43,352	- 45.35	- 47.98
ARCADIA	31	127	1,175	- 62.14	- 72.04
BRADENTON	214	118	1,276	- 27.36	- 30.74
DAYTONA BEACH	54	90	523	- 39.61	- 78.35
FORT LAUDERDALE	35	91	662	- 28.59	- 41.29
FORT PIERCE	51	76	820	- 70.22	- 55.31
GAINESVILLE	43	37	327	- 48.91	- 74.01
JACKSONVILLE	402	610	5,213	- 11.50	- 39.22
KEY WEST	10	48	124	- 21.52	- 61.96
LAKE LAND	92	323	2,047	- 62.46	- 70.00
LEESBURG	27	76	765	- 70.57	- 59.74
MARIANNA	75	84	520	- 33.76	- 61.02
MIAMI	471	855	6,035	- 35.70	- 40.05
OCALA	30	46	682	- 38.56	- 61.01
ORLANDO	117	267	2,479	- 71.19	- 64.26
PANAMA CITY	117	98	632	- 6.51	- 47.55
PENSACOLA	198	234	1,818	- 10.62	- 21.97
ST. AUGUSTINE	21	50	231	- 23.26	- 67.42
ST. PETERSBURG	110	272	1,942	- 48.05	- 51.81
TALLAHASSEE	148	251	1,257	- 49.54	- 58.89
TAMPA	437	514	5,223	- 26.13	- 1.06
WEST PALM BEACH	101	211	1,307	- 40.07	- 33.93
WINTER HAVEN	56	369	3,165	- 66.31	- 64.08
MULTI-STATE	903	951	4,424	- 9.29	- 15.88

LOCAL OFFICE DISTRIBUTION OF BENEFIT PAYMENTS
NOVEMBER 1940 AND NOVEMBER 1939

LOCAL OFFICE	NOVEMBER 1940				NOVEMBER 1939			
	NUMBER	% OF TOTAL NUMBER	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL AMOUNT	NUMBER	% OF TOTAL NUMBER	AMOUNT	% OF TOTAL AMOUNT
STATE TOTAL	40,820	100.00	\$389,564.00	100.00	39,540	100.00	\$338,279.57	100.00
ARCADIA	1,100	2.69	9,436.00	2.42	1,570	3.92	11,674.32	3.45
BRADENTON	2,117	5.19	16,782.50	4.31	1,444	3.65	10,343.26	3.06
DAYTONA BEACH	467	1.14	4,877.00	1.25	565	1.43	4,498.32	1.33
FORT LAUDERDALE	663	1.62	7,123.50	1.83	520	1.32	4,961.66	1.47
FORT PIERCE	1,005	2.46	9,182.00	2.37	577	1.46	4,788.28	1.42
GAINESVILLE	290	.71	2,678.50	.69	587	1.44	4,297.03	1.27
JACKSONVILLE	4,754	11.65	43,253.00	11.10	4,361	11.03	37,296.82	11.03
KEY WEST	15	.028	1,084.00	.28	202	.51	1,669.83	.49
LAKE LAND	2,107	5.16	19,482.50	5.00	3,366	8.51	25,427.95	7.52
LEESBURG	921	2.26	7,683.00	1.97	763	1.93	5,557.38	1.64
MARIANNA	462	1.13	3,997.00	1.03	531	1.34	3,885.07	1.15
MIAMI	5,238	12.84	60,535.00	15.54	4,418	11.17	48,439.78	14.32
OCALA	591	1.45	4,959.50	1.27	743	1.88	5,255.79	1.56
ORLANDO	2,901	7.11	25,169.50	6.46	2,712	6.93	21,287.69	6.29
PANAMA CITY	505	1.24	4,560.50	1.17	469	1.19	3,695.31	1.09
PENSACOLA	1,524	3.73	13,582.00	3.49	1,292	3.27	10,356.13	3.06
ST. AUGUSTINE	212	.522	2,082.50	.53	342	.86	2,871.14	.85
ST. PETERSBURG	2,123	5.05	19,361.50	4.83	1,588	4.02	14,543.34	4.30
TALLAHASSEE	1,122	2.75	8,496.00	2.18	1,583	4.00	11,259.70	3.33
TAMPA	4,695	11.65	43,126.00	11.29	2,866	7.21	24,378.65	7.21
WEST PALM BEACH	1,266	3.10	12,953.00	3.23	1,213	3.32	11,470.98	3.39
WINTER HAVEN	3,790	9.28	36,771.00	9.29	4,374	11.01	34,625.13	10.24
MULTI-STATE	2,852	6.99	32,988.50	8.47	3,424	8.60	35,686.07	10.53

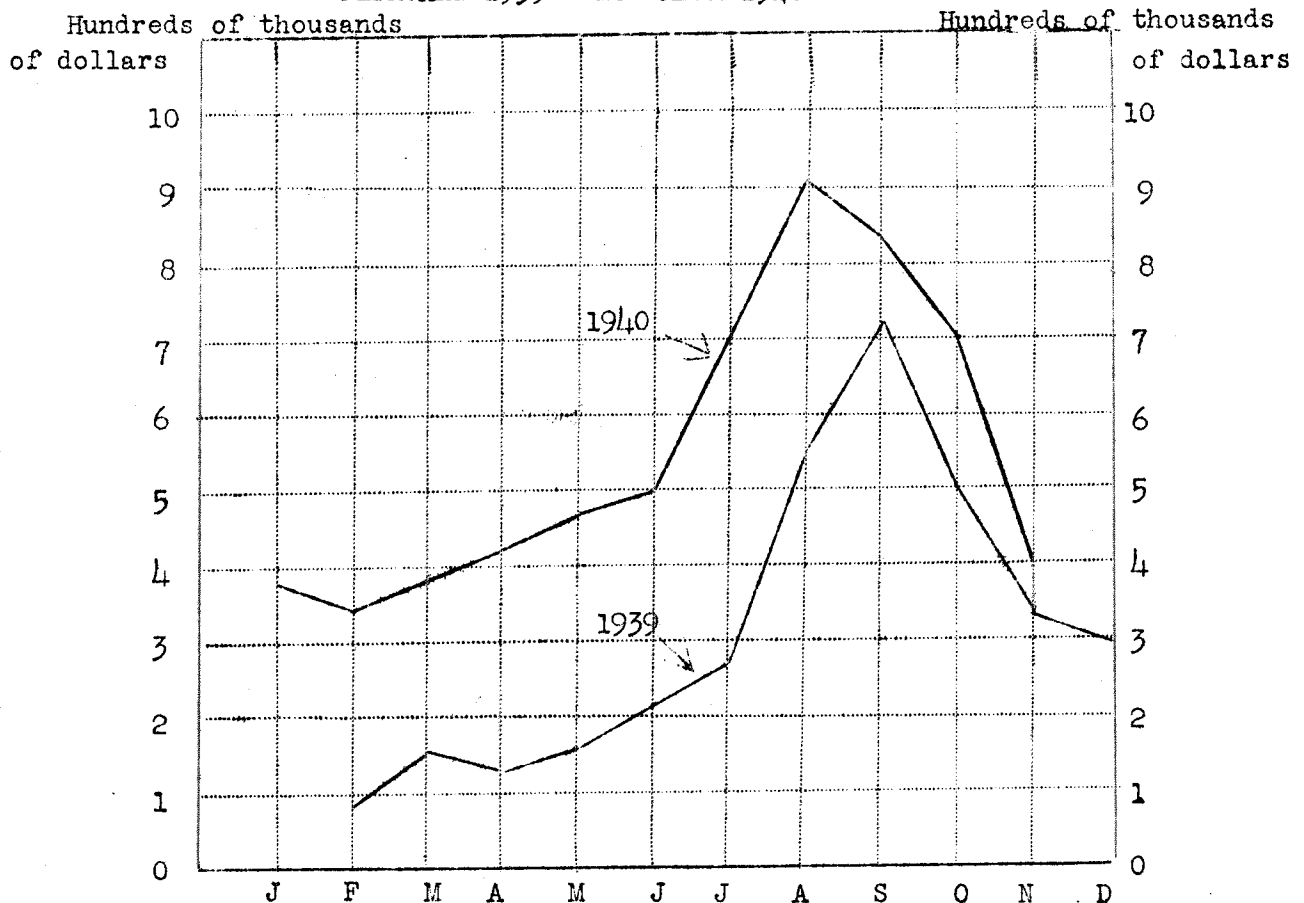
November Benefit Payments Reach Lowest Total Since March

The month of November saw the disbursement of only \$389,564.00 to Florida's claimants for unemployment compensation. This was the smallest amount paid out during any month of 1940 since March and amounted to only 56% of the October total of payments. The total of all payments during 1939 and 1940 was brought to \$9,561,148.58 by the inclusion of the November payments.

BENEFIT PAYMENT AMOUNTS - FEBRUARY 1939 THROUGH NOVEMBER 1940		
MONTH	1939	1940
January	*	\$ 375,872.83
February	\$ 85,539.45	340,742.38
March	161,820.87	381,665.73
April	134,740.77	424,791.04
May	167,036.25	475,031.87
June	226,069.98	504,908.67
July	281,448.99	727,773.27
August	574,663.17	907,552.84
September	732,542.54	834,492.50
October	498,749.37	694,641.00
November	338,279.57	389,564.00
December	303,221.49	
ANNUAL TOTAL	\$3,504,112.45	\$6,057,036.13
Total benefit payments to date - - -		\$9,561,148.58

*Florida did not make benefit payments prior to February 1939.

MONTH-TO-MONTH TREND IN FLORIDA UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BENEFIT PAYMENTS
FEBRUARY 1939 - NOVEMBER 1940



WORKERS IN COVERED EMPLOYMENT IN FLORIDA
BY MONTH FOR 1938, 1939 AND 1940*

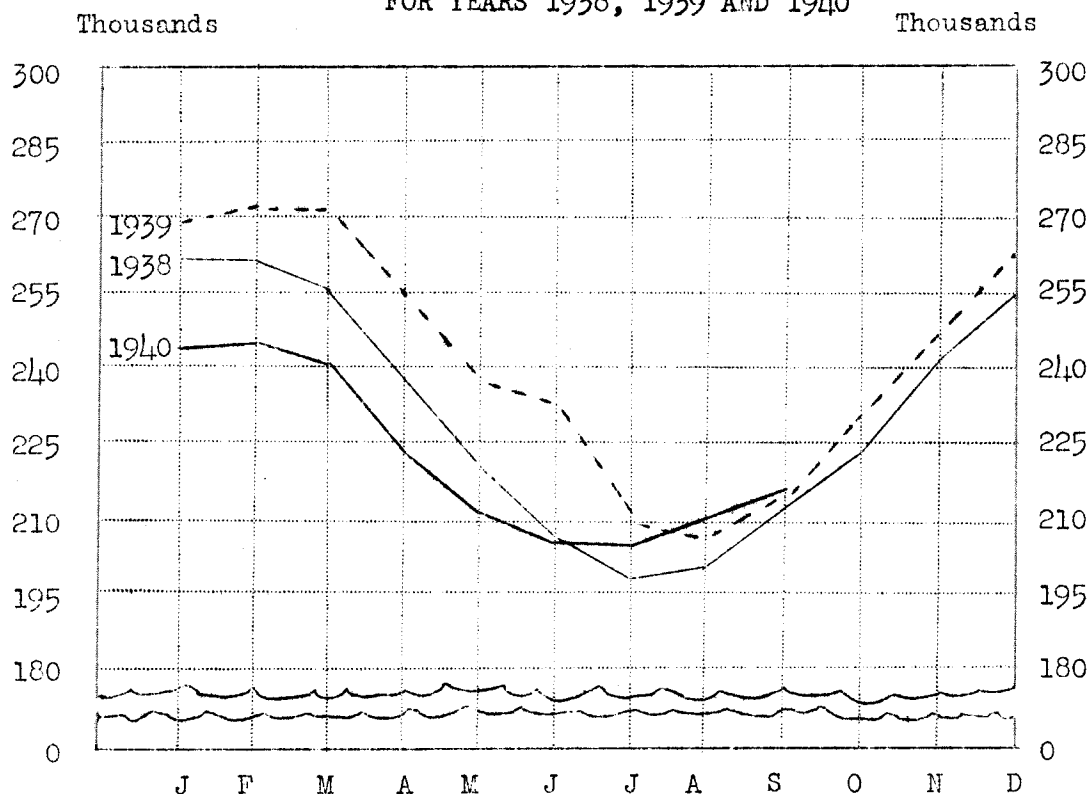
MONTH	1938	1939	1940**
January	261,132	269,897	244,052
February	260,595	271,554	245,587
March	255,061	271,272	241,469
April	237,842	255,277	223,426
May	219,842	237,690	211,541
June	205,805	233,500	206,371
July	197,117	208,774	206,278
August	200,741	208,543	211,237
September	211,800	214,487	216,906
October	222,935	231,628	-
November	239,425	246,517	-
December	254,671	263,037	-

Source: Quarterly contribution reports submitted by employers liable under the Florida Unemployment Compensation Law.

* Coverage under the Act was substantially reduced by a re-definition of "agricultural employment" which became effective January 1, 1940. The effect was to exclude several thousand packing house and horticultural workers whose employers had been liable under the Act during 1938 and 1939.

** Preliminary data subject to revision.

MONTH-TO-MONTH TREND IN THE NUMBER OF COVERED WORKERS IN FLORIDA
FOR YEARS 1938, 1939 AND 1940



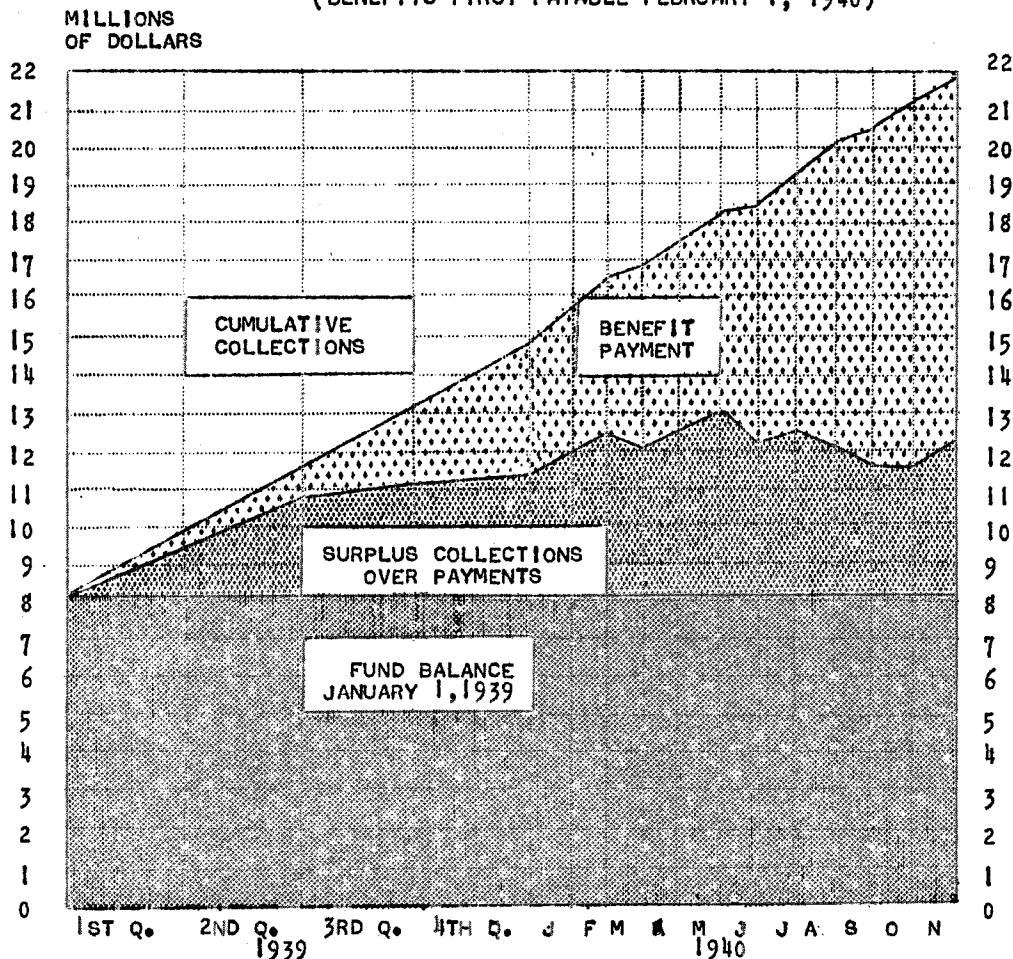
CONDITION OF UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND COLLECTIONS AND BENEFIT PAYMENTS

PERIOD	NET COLLECTIONS	BENEFITS PAID	BALANCE ALL FUNDS
1937 & 1938	\$8,306,098.41	—	\$8,306,098.41
1939:			
FIRST QUARTER	1,878,431.63	247,360.32	9,937,169.72
SECOND QUARTER	1,705,070.67	527,847.00	11,118,393.39
THIRD QUARTER	1,626,174.29	1,588,654.70	11,511,912.98
FOURTH QUARTER	1,551,463.16	1,140,250.43	11,563,125.71
1940:			
JANUARY	920,893.18	375,872.83	12,108,146.06
FEBRUARY	905,263.62	340,742.38	12,672,667.30
MARCH	44,470.34	381,665.73	12,335,471.91
APRIL	678,001.03	424,791.04	12,788,681.90
MAY	800,870.04	475,031.87	13,114,520.07
JUNE	64,060.22	504,908.67	12,673,671.62
JULY	734,905.21	727,773.27	12,680,803.56
AUGUST	809,041.16	907,552.84	12,582,291.88
SEPTEMBER	35,822.66	834,492.50	11,783,622.04
OCTOBER	551,826.43	694,641.00	11,640,807.47
NOVEMBER	912,916.64	389,564.00	12,146,160.11

* REVISED TO NOVEMBER 30, 1940

CHANGES IN STATUS OF THE FLORIDA UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION FUND DURING 1939-1940

(BENEFITS FIRST PAYABLE FEBRUARY 1, 1940)



EXPLANATION OF GRAPH:

1. THE DARK RECTANGLE FORMING THE BASE FOR THE REST OF THE CHART REPRESENTS THE COLLECTIONS WHICH WENT INTO THE FUND DURING 1937 AND 1938. THERE WERE NO BENEFIT PAYMENTS DURING THIS PERIOD.
2. THE SHADED AREA (JUST ABOVE THE FUND BALANCE) REPRESENTS THE CUMULATIVE EXCESS OF COLLECTIONS OVER BENEFIT PAYMENTS.
3. THE LIGHT PORTION (AT THE TOP) REPRESENTS THE AMOUNT PAID OUT IN BENEFITS. AT FIRST GLANCE IT MIGHT SEEM THAT THE BALANCE IN THE FUND AMOUNTS TO ABOUT 21 MILLION DOLLARS; CLOSER SCRUTINY WILL REVEAL THAT THIS IS ACTUALLY THE TOTAL AMOUNT COLLECTED. FROM THESE COLLECTIONS MUST BE DEDUCTED BENEFIT PAYMENTS, IN ORDER TO ARRIVE AT THE NET BALANCE IN THE FUND.

Placements Surpass All Previous Records

There were 17,068 jobs filled from the active files of the Florida State Employment Service during November. This increased placement activity has been due largely to defense activity in the State, but at the same time, there has also been an increase in private placements over previous months.

The 4,777 private placements for November exceeded the October figure by 1,527 or approximately 47%. The demand for citrus pickers and other workers connected with the citrus industry resulted in many placements throughout the citrus section. The Leesburg office made 1,081 private regular placements during the month with practically all of them being in the citrus industry. This was by far the largest volume of private placements reported by any one office during the period. Miami, with 530 private placements, came second with the placements representing a much broader coverage in both the industry and occupation classifications. The same holds true in Tampa where 477 private job openings were filled. Winter Haven took part in the filling of citrus openings and placed 383 applicants in private regular employment during the month. Jacksonville, although still concentrating heavily on furnishing workers for Camp Blanding, managed to fill 327 private job openings. The activity at Blanding is being treated separately beginning on page 16 of this Bulletin.

In addition to the project at Blanding there was also considerable public placement work in Key West, Orlando, Tallahassee and West Palm Beach. The Tallahassee office is furnishing all workers for the Air Base Project there and will probably reach a peak in this placement work during December.

New Applications and Active File Continue to Rise

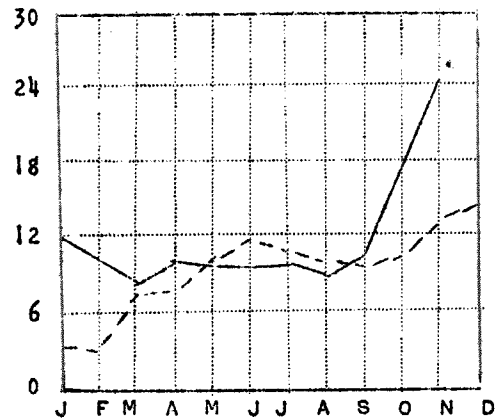
While it is true, without a doubt, that there are probably more workers holding jobs now than at any time during the past several months, it is interesting to note that the unemployment figures as represented by the active files of the various local offices are higher now than they were a year ago. This can be attributed to two main factors. In the first place, the fact that the employment service is filling all openings on many of the large defense projects has resulted in the filing of applications by many hundreds of workers who had not called upon the service previously. In addition, many applicants who had permitted their cards to become inactive returned to the offices for the purpose of renewing their applications. In the second place, if an accurate adjustment could be made it is highly probable that a sizeable reduction in the total file would result from the cancellation of duplicated registrations caused by the unavoidable shifting of applicants from one office area to another in an apparent effort to promote their job seeking campaign on several fronts. This condition should be eliminated to a great extent when the present emergency passes.

The 26,169 new applications filed during November represented an increase over October of 41% and over November, 1939 of 93%. The active file of 76,481 represented a 3% increase over October and a 2.5% increase over November of the previous year.

NEW APPLICATIONS

	1939	1940
FEBRUARY	3,497	12,226
MARCH	3,200	10,575
APRIL	7,642	8,422
MAY	7,818	10,184
JUNE	10,318	9,927
JULY	11,720	9,697
AUGUST	10,882	9,940
SEPTEMBER	10,146	9,087
OCTOBER	9,498	10,420
NOVEMBER	10,363	18,578
DECEMBER	13,585	26,169

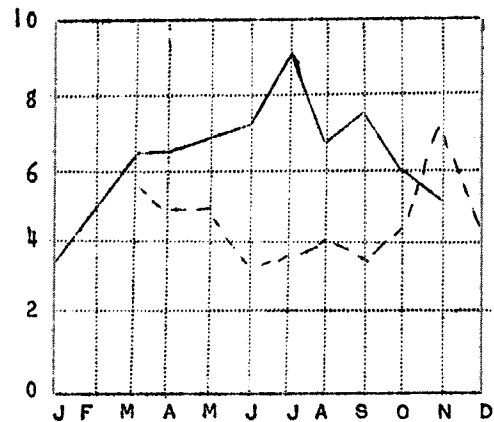
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RENEWALS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	-	3,626
FEBRUARY	-	4,708
MARCH	5,679	6,617
APRIL	4,877	6,622
MAY	4,911	6,757
JUNE	3,680	7,151
JULY	3,821	9,482
AUGUST	3,913	6,577
SEPTEMBER	3,856	7,795
OCTOBER	4,397	6,281
NOVEMBER	7,550	5,087
DECEMBER	4,729	-

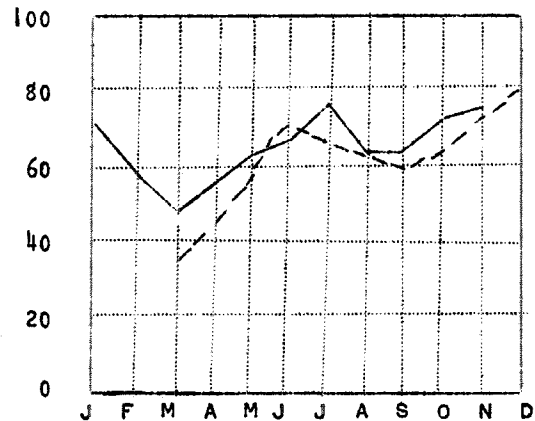
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ACTIVE FILE

	1939	1940
JANUARY	-	72,501
FEBRUARY	-	64,734
MARCH	34,569	49,001
APRIL	42,995	59,093
MAY	58,364	63,287
JUNE	71,065	68,932
JULY	70,983	77,992
AUGUST	67,292	66,344
SEPTEMBER	61,686	65,111
OCTOBER	64,085	74,311
NOVEMBER	74,598	76,481
DECEMBER	80,907	-

THOUSANDS



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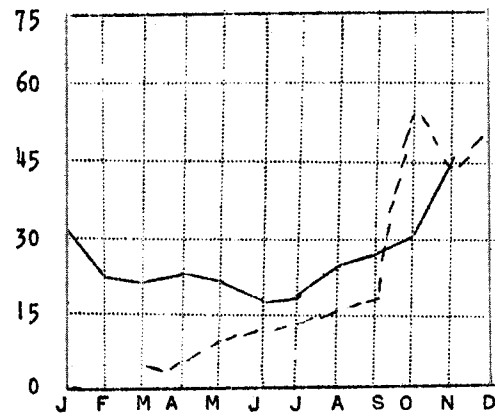
SOLID LINE ————— 1940
 BROKEN LINE - - - - - 1939

PRIVATE PLACEMENTS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	—	3,334
FEBRUARY	—	2,333
MARCH	449	2,126
APRIL	442	2,212
MAY	832	2,205
JUNE	1,003	1,744
JULY	1,071	1,741
AUGUST	1,441	2,120
SEPTEMBER	1,770	2,694
OCTOBER	5,793	3,250
NOVEMBER	4,084	4,777
DECEMBER	4,996	

PRIVATE PLACEMENTS

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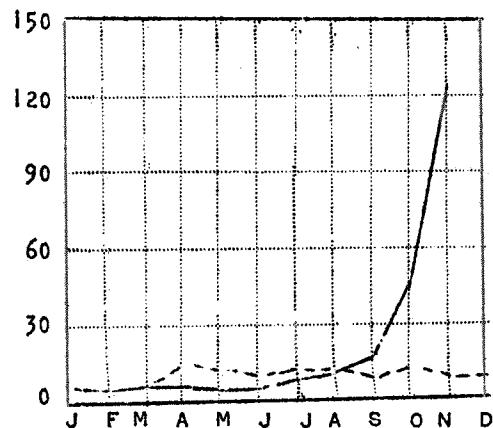


PUBLIC PLACEMENTS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	—	565
FEBRUARY	—	484
MARCH	747	673
APRIL	1,439	581
MAY	1,203	459
JUNE	1,067	559
JULY	1,152	832
AUGUST	1,278	1,128
SEPTEMBER	798	1,700
OCTOBER	1,216	4,732
NOVEMBER	865	12,291
DECEMBER	889	

PUBLIC PLACEMENTS

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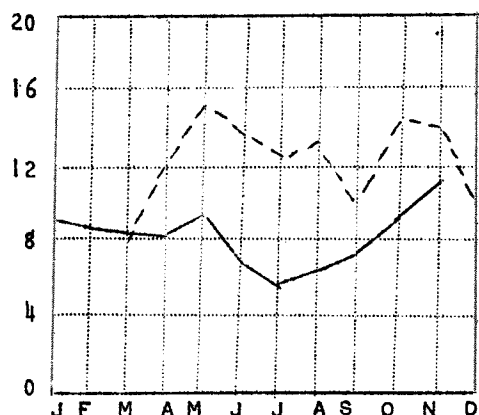


FIELD VISITS

	1939	1940
JANUARY	—	998
FEBRUARY	—	911
MARCH	773	911
APRIL	1,204	865
MAY	1,547	1,045
JUNE	1,468	689
JULY	1,232	549
AUGUST	1,317	627
SEPTEMBER	1,009	733
OCTOBER	1,475	984
NOVEMBER	1,417	1,135
DECEMBER	1,072	

FIELD VISITS

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NOTE:

SOLID LINE ————— 1940
 BROKEN LINE - - - - - 1939

PLACEMENTS AND FIELD VISITS - NOVEMBER 1940

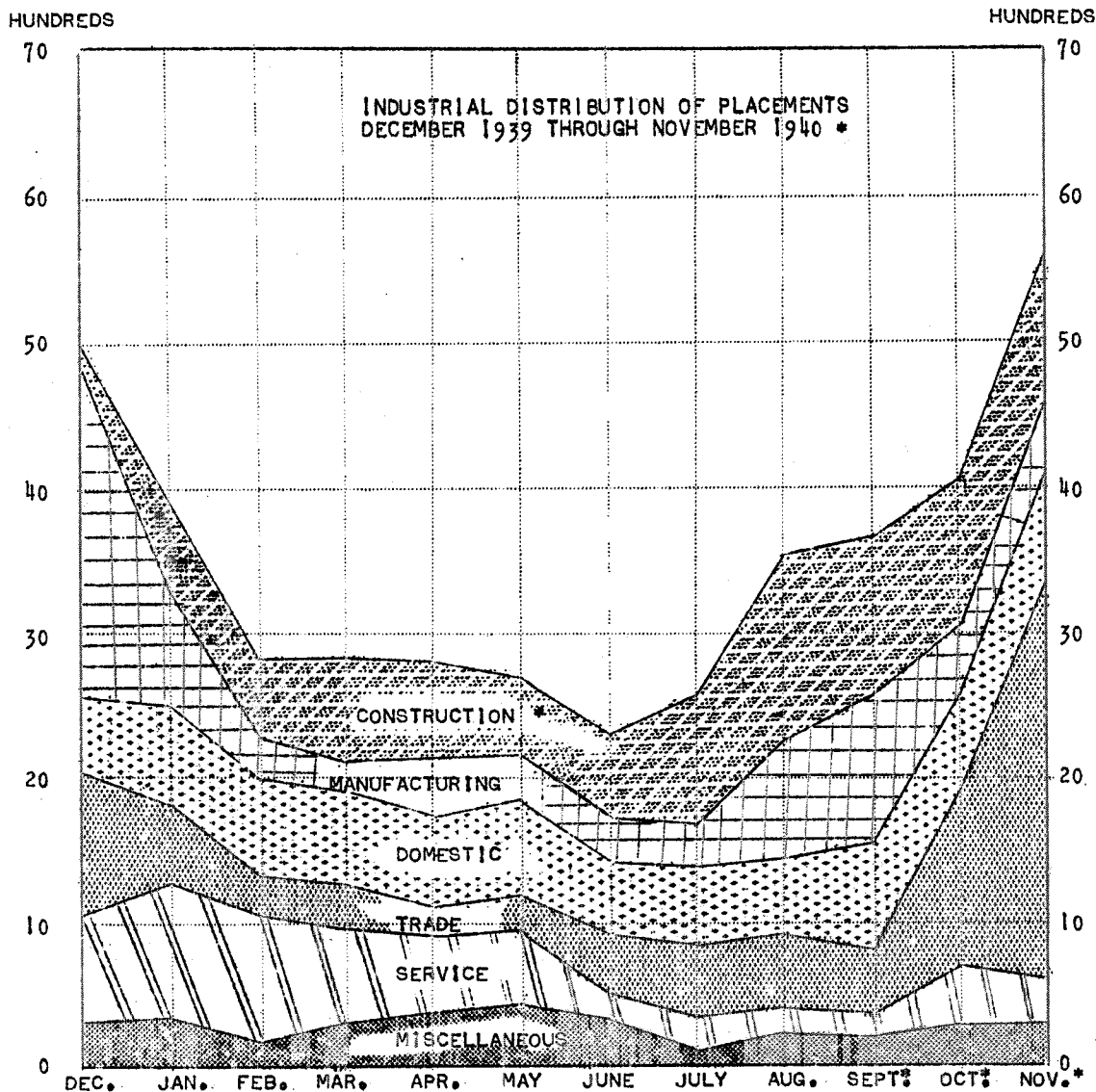
LOCAL OFFICE	TOTAL	COMPLETE PLACEMENTS			PUBLIC	SUPPLEMENTARY PLACEMENTS	FIELD VISITS
		PRIVATE		AGRICULTURAL			
		NUMBER	REGULAR				
STATE TOTAL	17,068	4,777	3,874	27	12,291	298	1,135
ARCADIA	137	137	131	-	-	54	135
BRADENTON	97	97	85	2	-	-	73
DAYTONA BEACH	175	124	117	-	51	8	64
FORT LAUDERDALE	136	82	70	1	54	-	58
FORT PIERCE	18	7	7	-	11	-	27
GAINESVILLE	134	134	114	-	-	3	46
JACKSONVILLE	357	327	207	-	30	1	14
KEY WEST	200	42	26	-	158	-	27
LAKE LAND	262	262	261	-	-	63	37
LEESBURG	1,131	1,081	1,081	-	50	-	86
MARIANNA	21	19	6	-	2	-	20
MIAMI	538	530	309	7	8	26	14
OCALA	147	147	147	9	-	-	60
ORLANDO	407	274	233	2	133	-	53
PANAMA CITY	46	46	17	-	-	6	14
PENSACOLA	134	81	55	-	53	-	34
ST. AUGUSTINE	45	45	26	-	-	2	37
ST. PETERSBURG	269	268	214	2	1	-	9
TALLAHASSEE	223	83	64	-	140	-	30
TAMPA	555	477	230	4	78	-	182
WEST PALM BEACH	218	116	77	-	102	-	32
WINTER HAVEN	383	383	382	-	-	108	35
CAMP BLANDING	11,435	15	15	-	11,420	27	48

NEW APPLICATIONS AND ACTIVE FILE - NOVEMBER 1940

LOCAL OFFICE	NEW APPLICATIONS			ACTIVE FILE		
	NUMBER REC'D NOVEMBER, 1940	% CHANGED FROM		AS OF NOV. 30, 1940	% CHANGED FROM	
		OCT. 1940	NOV. 1939		OCT. 31, 1940	NOV. 30, 1939
STATE TOTAL	26,169	+ 40.9	+ 92.6	76,481	+ 2.9	+ 2.5
ARCADIA	65	- 11.0	- 63.7	1,693	+ 2.2	- 49.5
BRADENTON	175	+ 30.6	- 55.4	1,514	+ 2.4	- 17.2
DAYTONA BEACH	395	- 32.6	- 32.6	2,439	+ 13.5	+ 1.0
FORT LAUDERDALE	254	- 1.2	- 18.6	795	- 4.1	- 19.3
FORT PIERCE	73	+ 14.1	- 38.7	1,400	+ 4.2	+ 33.8
GAINESVILLE	158	- 59.6	- 51.7	1,322	+ 1.8	- 28.4
JACKSONVILLE	2,263	+ 44.0	+ 132.1	6,870	- 21.1	- 35.7
KEY WEST	77	+ 10.0	- 54.7	1,593	+ 5.0	+ 20.5
LAKE LAND	341	- 22.7	+ 36.9	4,872	- 2.7	+ 46.4
LEESBURG	70	- 1.4	+ 9.4	1,919	- 36.8	+ 12.7
MARIANNA	137	+ 59.3	- 55.8	1,392	+ 0.7	- 47.8
MIAMI	2,211	+ 0.6	+ 27.6	9,937	- 15.4	+ 20.4
OCALA	236	- 24.8	+ 67.4	1,243	- 23.8	- 10.3
ORLANDO	471	+ 0.4	+ 0.4	2,875	- 16.7	- 27.5
PANAMA CITY	87	- 25.0	- 26.3	1,012	- 0.4	- 27.9
PENSACOLA	389	- 15.1	- 2.8	2,339	- 16.9	- 44.6
ST. AUGUSTINE	162	+ 14.9	+ 42.1	2,976	- 28.9	- 19.1
ST. PETERSBURG	309	+ 4.0	- 55.2	2,849	- 3.6	- 33.5
TALLAHASSEE	1,001	- 7.5	+ 243.9	3,851	+ 25.2	+ 37.8
TAMPA	1,059	- 7.0	- 41.5	8,096	+ 0.8	+ 15.8
WEST PALM BEACH	225	+ 55.4	+ 55.4	3,279	+ 20.5	+ 11.3
WINTER HAVEN	154	+ 15.8	- 96.0	1,496	- 13.6	- 22.0
CAMP BLANDING	15,257	+ 90.1	-	9,619	+ 152.1	-

**INDUSTRIAL DISTRIBUTION OF PLACEMENTS
BY SEX, DURATION, CLAIMANT AND VETERAN STATUS
NOVEMBER 1940**

INDUSTRY GROUP	MEN AND WOMEN	M E N			W O M E N			CLAIMANT	VETERANS
		TOTAL	REG.	TEMP.	TOTAL	REG.	TEMP.		
STATE TOTAL	5,633*	3,944*	3,156*	788*	1,689	1,371	318	958*	158*
AGRICULTURE	30	29	28	1	1	1	—	4	1
MINING	40	40	38	2	—	—	—	14	2
CONSTRUCTION	1,040*	1,033*	700*	333*	7	6	1	90*	39*
MANUFACTURING	468	405	319	86	63	55	8	128	14
TRANS., COMM., UTIL.	97	89	33	56	8	6	2	31	1
TRADE	2,793	1,936	1,837	99	857	815	42	600	77
REAL ESTATE, FIN., INS.	51	27	9	18	24	21	3	6	1
SERVICES	289	157	105	52	132	79	53	49	14
PROFESSIONS	40	20	10	10	20	11	9	7	—
MISCELLANEOUS	5	5	4	1	—	—	—	—	—
DOMESTIC	722	154	32	122	568	369	199	25	5
GOVT. AGENCY REL.	58	49	41	8	9	8	1	4	4

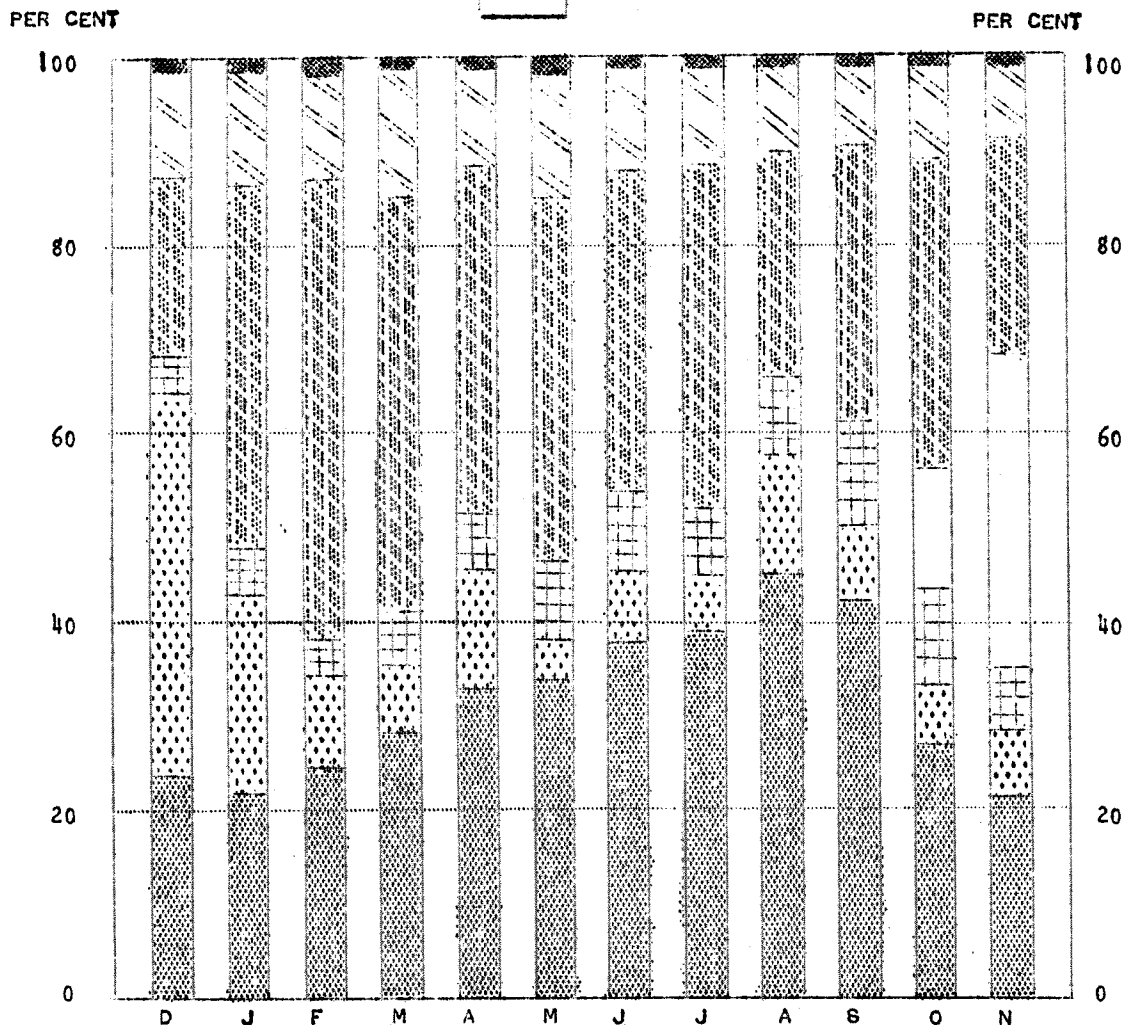
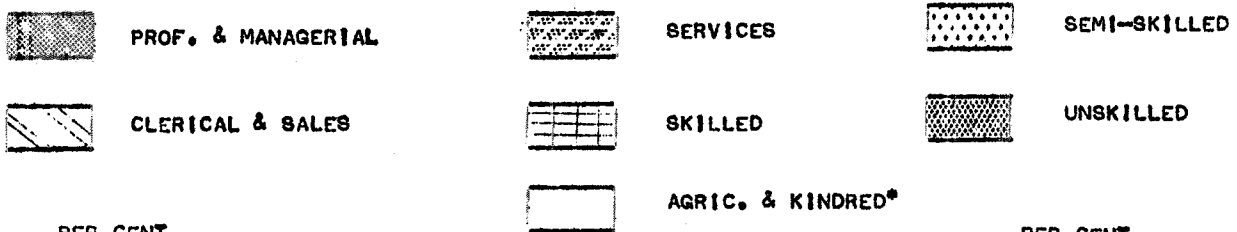


* EXCLUDES PLACEMENTS AT CAMP BLANDING — SEE PAGE 16

**OCCUPATIONAL DISTRIBUTION OF ALL PLACEMENTS
BY SEX, DURATION, CLAIMANT AND VETERAN STATUS
NOVEMBER 1940**

OCCUPATIONAL GROUP	NUMBER MEN & WOMEN	M E N			W O M E N			CLAIMANT	VETERAN
		TOTAL	REG.	TEMP.	TOTAL	REG.	TEMP.		
STATE TOTAL	5,633	3,944	3,156	788	1,689	1,371	318	958	158
PROF. & MANAGERIAL	24	19	19	—	5	2	3	7	1
CLERICAL & SALES	381	191	156	35	190	149	41	65	15
SERVICES	1,336	530	335	195	806	546	260	97	21
AGRIC. & KINDRED	1,887	1,294	1,292	2	593	593	—	425	47
SKILLED	370	337	216	121	33	29	4	69	29
SEMI-SKILLED	401	370	340	30	31	26	5	92	18
UNSKILLED	1,214	1,185	785	401	28	25	3	201	26
UNSPECIFIED	20	17	13	4	3	1	2	2	1

**PERCENTAGE DISTRIBUTION OF PLACEMENTS
BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP
NOVEMBER 1940**



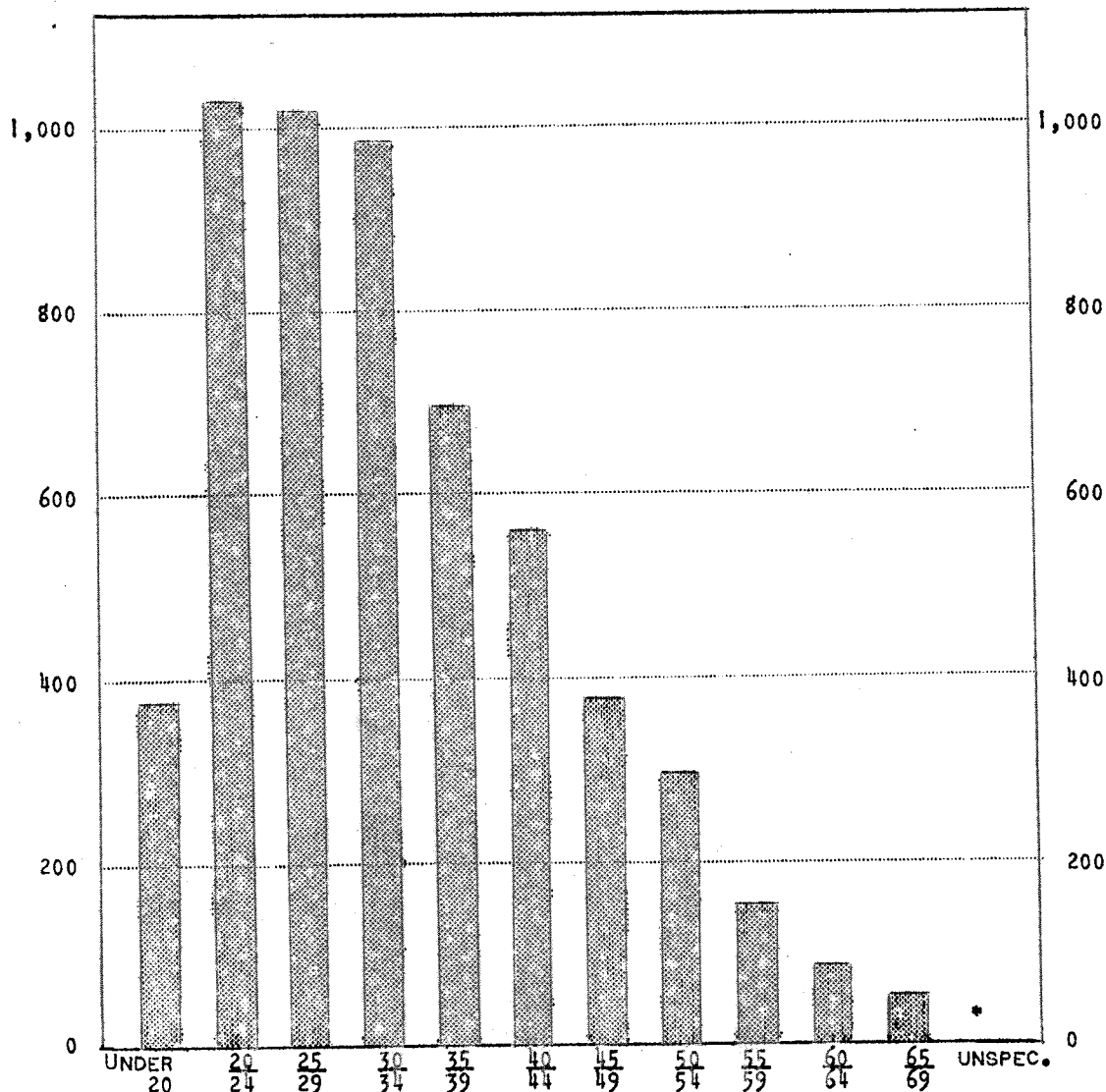
* PREVIOUSLY CLASSIFIED AS UNSKILLED

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF ALL PLACEMENTS
BY SEX, COLOR, CLAIMANT AND VETERAN STATUS
NOVEMBER, 1940

AGE GROUP	TOTAL MEN AND WOMEN	M E N			W O M E N			CLAIMANTS	VETERANS
		TOTAL	WHITE	OTHER	TOTAL	WHITE	OTHER		
STATE TOTAL	* 5,633	3,944	2,035	1,909	1,689	1,149	540	958	158
UNDER 16	9	4	1	3	5	—	5	—	—
16 AND 17	83	50	23	27	33	10	23	2	—
18 AND 19	281	182	112	70	99	70	29	19	—
20	201	142	83	59	59	38	21	7	—
21 — 24	826	593	299	294	233	148	85	25	—
25 — 29	1,018	711	353	358	307	209	98	81	—
30 — 34	987	655	325	330	332	230	102	84	—
35 — 39	696	486	220	266	210	135	75	49	2
40 — 44	558	380	184	196	178	117	61	98	56
45 — 49	375	270	117	153	105	90	15	72	37
50 — 54	209	230	117	89	69	48	21	62	—
55 — 59	153	117	64	53	36	34	2	23	—
60 — 64	89	72	49	23	17	15	2	10	—
65 AND OVER	57	51	34	17	—	—	—	—	—
UNSPECIFIED	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—

* 11,435 PLACEMENTS MADE AT CAMP BLANDING ARE NOT INCLUDED.

AGE DISTRIBUTION OF PLACEMENTS
NOVEMBER, 1940



* ONLY ONE PLACEMENT

VETERAN ACTIVITIES

The placement of veterans for the month of November continued to increase, establishing a new high with 239 placements. This is 19.7% of the total (1,212) for the eleven months, January through November, 1940.

The increase in placements is attributed mainly to the Jacksonville office which reports the Employment Service activities at Camp Blanding. This single project accounted for 81 of Jacksonville's 100 veteran placements.

VETERAN ACTIVITIES
NOVEMBER 1940

LOCAL OFFICE	NEW APPLICATIONS	REGULAR RENEWALS	PLACEMENTS		CANCELLATIONS	ACTIVE FILE Nov. 30, 1940
			PRIVATE	PUBLIC		
STATE TOTALS	393	222	131	108	463	2,934
ARCADIA	3	8	5	—	—	71
BRADENTON	4	3	1	—	18	35
DAYTONA BEACH	2	2	—	—	—	30
FORT LAUDERDALE	2	9	3	4	14	30
FORT PIERCE	3	1	—	—	—	48
GAINESVILLE	3	1	—	—	7	20
JACKSONVILLE	114	47	17	83	63	450
KEY WEST	2	—	—	3	1	37
LAKELAND	15	4	2	—	3	126
LEESBURG	3	3	27	—	10	41
MARIANNA	7	5	2	—	34	95
MIAMI	62	51	19	3	129	503
OCALA	2	—	—	—	11	41
ORLANDO	15	6	4	2	38	81
PANAMA CITY	2	2	1	—	2	34
PENSACOLA	10	10	1	2	—	261
ST. AUGUSTINE	9	2	—	—	9	52
ST. PETERSBURG	19	14	9	—	11	81
TALLAHASSEE	26	4	4	2	6	124
TAMPA	38	39	13	4	50	421
WEST PALM BEACH	36	9	3	5	3	137
WINTER HAVEN	9	2	15	—	14	86

FLORIDA RETAIL SALES SHOW INCREASE

A release of the Bureau of the Census of the Department of Commerce, dated November 27, 1940, showed retail sales in Florida stores in most kinds of business except department stores to be 18% higher during October of this year than during the same month of 1939. For the year to date -- 10 months -- sales were 15% higher than for the same 10 months of 1939. Department store sales were 11% higher for October and 12% higher for the year to date than for the same periods of 1939.

Increases were reported for the month for all of the city-size groupings. The 29 stores in Jacksonville showed an average increase over October of last year of 8%, Orlando stores were up 12%, and Miami and Tampa 17%. For the year to date, St. Petersburg led the State with an increase over 1939 of 23%.

EMPLOYMENT SERVICE ACTIVITY AT CAMP BLANDING

The largest single Defense Project now being served by the Florida State Employment Service is the preparation and construction of the cantonment at Camp Blanding. When the work on this project first started a special office was set up on the Camp grounds for the use of the Florida State Employment Service. This office was used as the exclusive hiring agency by the contractor.

Employment on this Project reached its peak during the month of November, when at one time approximately 20,000 men were working on the various units of construction. During November the Employment Office operating out of the Jacksonville Local Office and staffed with personnel brought in from other offices throughout the State, supplied 11,435 applicants to job openings there. All but 15 of these workers were placed directly with the contractors on the Camp Project. The 15 were placed with private employers in the vicinity of the Camp. The placements for November brought the total complete placements since the beginning of the work at Blanding to approximately 18,000.

All of the placements made at the Camp have been men. The majority of the applicants placed during November were white. The age group 21 through 29 accounted for approximately 40% of the total placements. Only 86 applicants of the total 11,435 were active claimants for Unemployment Compensation at the time of placement and there were only 15 veterans among the total men placed.

AGE GROUP DISTRIBUTION OF
CAMP BLANDING PLACEMENTS
NOVEMBER 1940

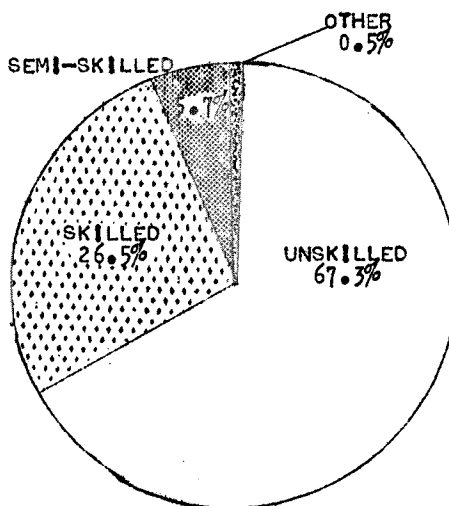
	TOTAL (ALL MEN)	COLOR		CLAIMANT	VETERAN
		WHITE	OTHER		
TOTAL	11,435	6,895	4,540	86	15
16 and 17	72	27	45	1	-
18 and 19	956	462	494	5	-
20	489	257	232	1	-
21 - 24	2,117	1,218	899	17	3
25 - 29	2,120	1,282	838	18	4
30 - 34	1,612	1,037	575	20	3
35 - 39	1,239	736	503	8	1
40 - 44	962	593	369	3	1
45 - 49	802	521	281	4	1
50 - 54	540	367	173	3	1
55 - 59	320	242	78	5	1
60 - 64	143	107	36	1	-
65 and over	62	45	17	-	-
Unspecified	1	1	-	-	-

In response to the call for workers at this project thousands of persons who had never previously made use of the Employment Service visited one or more of the local offices in order to file their applications. The result has been that even though nearly 18,000 jobs have been filled during the past three months on this one project, the active file at the Jacksonville office, which includes registrations at Blanding, has increased greatly. This may be due partially to duplicate registrations but the chief contributor has been the influx of new workers in search of a job on the Camp Project.

Distribution of the placements in occupational groups is given in the accompanying pie-chart. Of the total placements made during November, 7,693, or approximately 67% fell in the unskilled group; among these were 6,886 building construction laborers and 777 highway construction laborers. The other unskilled workers were distributed among pipe line, sewer and water works, cable and mechanics helper occupational classifications. Skilled workers accounted for 2,873, or approximately 26% of the total placements. In this group construction carpenters accounted for 2,651, or approximately 92% of the total skilled group. Other skilled workers were distributed among occupations such as brick-layers, cement finishers, painters, crane and power shovel operators and construction foremen. There were 652 placements falling in the semi-skilled classification with the truck drivers accounting for the largest group. Other semi-skilled occupations included construction machinery operators, roofers and tractor operators.

Although the actual employment at the Camp has reached its peak, a slight turn-over will continue as a result of replacements from time to time and it is anticipated that several hundred additional placements will be made before completion of the work.

DISTRIBUTION OF CAMP BLANDING
PLACEMENT BY OCCUPATIONAL GROUP
NOVEMBER 1940



APPEAL TRIBUNAL

CLASSIFICATION OF APPEALS RECEIVED FROM JANUARY 1, 1940
THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 1940, BY TYPE OF QUESTION INVOLVED

Month	Total Rec'd	Availa- bility	Wage Record Conflicts	Volun- tary Leaving	Discharge Cases - Misconduct	Suit- able Work	Labor Dis- putes	Other
	Cases	Claim'ts						
Jan.	20	20	2	12	2	4	-	-
Feb.	28	28	2	19	4	2	1	-
March	47	60	3	42	6	5	-	4
April	38	38	2	22	8	2	-	2
May	55	90	4	31	13	8	1	33
June	62	63	2	35	10	13	2	-
July	56	57	4	27	7	16	1	-
Aug.	71	74	3	37	11	14	4	-
Sept.	62	75	2	26	10	11	2	21
Oct.	42	42	2	20	7	11	-	1
Nov.	43	43	6	24	2	3	2	5
TOTAL	524	590	32	295	80	89	13	66
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APPEAL TRIBUNAL

SUMMARY OF APPEALS HANDLED FROM JANUARY 1
THROUGH NOVEMBER 30, 1940

Number of Appeals Received:	Cases	Claimants
Filed by Claimants	483	517
Filed by Employers	39	39
Filed by Commission Deputies	2	34
Total	524	590
Number of Decisions Rendered:		
Number of Deputies' Decisions Affirmed	173	181
Number of Deputies' Decisions Reversed	150	153
Number of Deputies' Decisions Modified	52	112
Original Determination by Appeals Authority	1	1
Total	376	447
Number of Appeals Withdrawn by Appellants	56	56
Number of Appeals Dismissed by Referee	56	56
Number of Appeals Pending Disposal November 30, 1940	56	56

FIELD SERVICE ACTIVITIES

During November, 27 employers elected to become liable under the Unemployment Compensation Law - this number when added to the 730 employers who had previously elected liability brought the total to 757. During the month 153 employers were found to be liable while 58 were removed from the liability rolls, bringing the total number of employers who were liable (either because of voluntary election or as a result of being declared liable under the Act) at the end of November to 6,859.

LIABILITY REPORTS RECEIVED AND DETERMINATION OF EMPLOYER STATUS - NOVEMBER 1940

A. LIABILITY REPORTS	
1. ACCUMULATIVE NUMBER LIABILITY REPORTS RECEIVED (JULY 1937 - NOVEMBER 1940)	30,237
2. LIABILITY REPORTS RECEIVED DURING MONTH	256
3. TOTAL END OF MONTH (SUM OF ITEMS 1 AND 2)	30,496
B. LIABLE EMPLOYERS	
4. ACCUMULATIVE NUMBER EMPLOYERS LIABLE BEGINNING OF MONTH	6,737
5. EMPLOYERS DECLARED LIABLE UNDER ACT DURING MONTH	153
6. EMPLOYERS ELECTING LIABILITY DURING MONTH	27
7. TOTAL END OF MONTH (SUM OF ITEMS 4, 5, AND 6)	6,917
8. EMPLOYERS REMOVED FROM LIABILITY ROLLS DURING MONTH	58
9. EMPLOYERS LIABLE AT END OF MONTH (ITEM 7 MINUS ITEM 8)	6,859
A. LIABLE UNDER ACT	6,102
B. LIABLE BY VOLUNTARY ELECTION	757

FIELD SERVICE INVESTIGATIONS

NOVEMBER 1940

	LIABILITY INVESTIGATIONS*	CLAIMS** INVESTIGATIONS	INDIVIDUAL EARNINGS***	TOTAL
DROUGHT FORWARD NOVEMBER 1, 1940	484	269	194	947
REQUESTED NOVEMBER 1940	285	470	199	954
COMPLETED NOVEMBER 1940	325	506	167	998
PENDING NOVEMBER 30, 1940	444	233	226	903

*LIABILITY INVESTIGATION - ASSIGNMENTS TO DETERMINE STATUS OF EMPLOYING UNITS NOT YET REPORTED OR TO RECHECK BORDER-LINE CASES.

**CLAIMS INVESTIGATION - ASSIGNMENTS TO INVESTIGATE CONDITIONS SURROUNDING CLAIMANTS' SEPARATION FROM EMPLOYMENT IN INSTANCES WHERE CLAIMS ARE PROTESTED.

***INDIVIDUAL EARNINGS - REQUESTS FOR QUARTERLY EARNINGS OF CLAIMANTS WHOSE EMPLOYERS HAVE NOT REPORTED WAGES.